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DALLAS WOMAN INDICTED FOR POSSESSION, INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE METH

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Dallas, Texas, woman was indicted by a federal grand jury today for possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine.

Sylvia V. Villarreal, 32, of Dallas, was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury today in Kansas City.

The federal indictment alleges that **Villarreal** possessed with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine on March 7, 2004.

Graves cautioned that the charge contained in the indictment is simply an accusation, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charge must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kathleen Mahoney. It was investigated by the Jackson County, Mo., Drug Task Force.

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